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If thou would'st read a lesson that will keep Thy heart from fainting and thy soul from sleep, Go to the woods and hills.—Longfellow.

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FOR THE WILL

COUNTY COURT DECIDES IN FAVOR OF THE WILL.

J. M. Cunningham's Will Admitted
to Record after a Contest.

The county court heard the
contest over Dr. J. M. Cunningham's
will last Thursday and admitted it
to record, as the last will and testament
of the deceased. The will was in favor of
Mrs. Cunningham and was contested by
W. A. Cunningham, father of the deceased.
Gilmor, McClintic and McNeil appeared
for the will and Jones, Bratton,
Yeager and Scott against the will.

The case was submitted without
argument and the court arrived at a
decision in a few moments. The evidence
took one day. The proponents of the will
offered the will in court and put L. M.
McClintic the attorney who wrote it and
one of the subscribing witnesses on the stand.
The witness stated that he was an attorney
at law and had been in practice fifteen years.
He had known the deceased for a number of
years and had represented him as attorney
and deceased had been his family physician.
He had also served on the town council with
him. Deceased had been married twice.
There was one child by the first marriage
which had not survived him. On the day of
the death he had received a telephone call
from Dr. Yeager to come to deceased's house
and write his will. When he reached the house
the doctors roused the patient and he told
witness that he wanted a will written giving
everything to his wife after the debts were
paid. Will was written and read by testator
who suggested that his wife be named as
executrix. It was suggested to him that this
was not important. The doctors in attendance
thought that there was danger of the testator
becoming unconscious and that there might
not be time to write the will over. The testator
then raised himself on his elbow and signed
the will and witness and J. W. Price signed as
subscribing witness. Dr. John Yeager was on
the other side of the bed and it was suggested
that he also sign and testator told him to
come around the bed and sign where he could
see him. Testator then asked some questions
as to whether any other paper was necessary
to transfer the proceeds of certain life insurance
policies to his wife in the event of his death.
The will was written in the forenoon between
nine and ten o'clock and death occurred
about noon. Witness considered that the testator
was in his right mind and that he was as clear
at the time the will was written as he had
ever seen him.

Dr. John Yeager testified to the same effect
and as to the testator's physical condition.
Could not say positively as to the cause of his
death but that he had been up the railroad
and had eaten some canned goods and had
symptoms of ptomaine or some other irritant
poison. He considered the testator sane but
that after the death of his child about two
months before his own death his habits became
a great deal worse in regard to the use of
intoxicants.

At this point the proponents of the will
rested and Dr. J. W. Price was called for the
contestants as he was a subscribing witness
to the will and that certain questions in regard
to the soundness of the mind of the testator
had been raised immediately after the death
which he could not answer to his own satisfaction.
He had been called early on the morning of the
day of testator's death and thought as soon as
he saw him that he was going to die. Pulse
was so rapid that it could not be counted but
it was about 200. Gave heart stimulants
which steadied the heart a little but the
circulation was not taken.

When Love Waned.
"You admit," said the attorney for the
plaintiff in the breach-of-promise case, "that you
were engaged to my client?"
"I do," admitted the defendant.
"And presumably you loved her?"
"I did."
"And yet you broke the engagement. Why was that?"
"Love had waned."
"Oh, love had waned, had it? Do you know why?"
"Yes, sir."
"Do you know when it first began to wane?"
"Yes, sir."
"When was that?"
"The first time I saw her adopt the prevailing
feminine fashion of riding a horse astride. That
smashed a love dream, sir, and smashed it good
and plenty."

The lawyer for the plaintiff gave the jurors a quick look, and he knew the case was lost.—Chicago Evening Post.

up. Noticed discoloration where injections were given which witness has observed as a sign that dissolution had set in. Following his usual custom when he believes death to be imminent he suggested that if he had any business to arrange in the event of his death that no time was to be lost. In this he took no thought of the question whether patient was in a mental condition to make a will or not and could not now say after reading all the authorities on the subject whether he made a valid will or not. Had come to the conclusion that testator was suffering from a form of insanity known as moral insanity the principal symptom of which was constant absence of delusion. It was sometimes called mania without delirium. Witness said that a patient's mind might be affected by the fact that dissolution had set in but that in many cases the mind becomes unusually clear just before death.

A great many other witnesses were called who spoke of certain vagaries of the deceased but witnesses for both sides generally ascribed them all to the use of intoxicants. Deceased was a Presbyterian but spoke at times of embracing the Buddhist religion; also the Mohammedan religion; and again of becoming a Roman Catholic. He had also consulted spiritualists and was a hypnotist. He was proved to be of a combative disposition when under the influence of liquor.

R. C. McCandlish goes to Bruceton.
The proposed new bank at Bruceton, over in Preston county, West Va., for which a charter with a capital of \$25,000 has been granted; will be open for business on or about November 15th.

The stockholders consist largely of Garrett countians who are now engaged successfully in mercantile, banking and other lines of trade.

The president of the new bank will be Mr. Leslie E. Friendville, where he is the proprietor of a large store and also president of the Friendville National Bank which was established about two years ago and which has been very successful in all its undertakings which is due mainly to the efforts of Mr. R. C. McCandlish, its cashier, who is also one of the vice presidents of the Bruceton bank, the other being Rev. Jeremiah Thomas, a minister of the German Baptist faith and a man of liberal and good business principles. The cashier will be Mr. C. R. Bartlett, of the Wood County Bank at Parkersburg, West Va.

The establishment of the proposed bank at Bruceton is due to the efforts of Mr. McCandlish, who comes of a family engaged almost exclusively in the business of banking. His father, R. J. McCandlish, has been cashier of the First National at Parkersburg 25 years. Two brothers, one at Piedmont and the other at Marietta, O., have been cashiers of banks in their respective towns for eighteen years or more, and have been eminently successful.

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BIOGRAPHIC NOTES.

THE MORRISON RELATIONSHIP.

Descended from James Morrison who came from Winchester

James Morrison, the progenitor of the Pocahontas Morrison relationship was reared near Winchester, Virginia, whence he came to this region in 1784. He first located on Greenbrier River, at what is now known as the Byrnes place, two or three miles east of Hillsboro, here he remained about three years. Thence he came to the west of Droop Mountain and settled in the forest where the late Charles Morrison lived.

After a number of years James Morrison moved to the place now occupied by Madison S. Woods, whose wife is a granddaughter, James Morrison's first marriage was with Mrs. Jane Taylor widow of a Revolutionary soldier. The children of this marriage were Andrew, James, John, Nathaniel, Richard and Jane. Andrew Morrison settled in Kanawha County, W. Va. James Morrison, Jr. with his brothers John and Nathaniel, while young men migrated to Illinois and Indiana, Richard settled in Ohio, and there are no particulars in hand concerning their families. Jane while a child came to her death by falling into a watering trough.

The first Mrs. Morrison died in 1795. James Morrison's second wife was Miss Elizabeth Collison and this marriage occurred in 1796. The second family consisted of four daughters and nine sons, Elizabeth, Absalom, Alexander, Thomas, David, Josiah, Elisha, Ann, Margaret, Deida, William, Isaac and Jesse.

Elizabeth of the Pioneer, b. 1798; became Mrs. Thomas Auldridge, and lived in the vicinity of Edray, on the place now owned by Thomas Auldridge, Jr. Particulars of her family are found in the Pocahontas sketches.

Absalom Morrison of the pioneer, born in 1800, married Sally McCollum of William McCollum Bucks Mountain and settled on the place where the late Charles Morrison lived, their children were John, Thomas, William, James, Charles, Margaret, Ann, John of Absalom, married Elizabeth Scott, first settled on home-
stead, finally migrated to Missouri, Thomas of Absalom married Rebecca McMillion, and settled on head of Spring Creek, Greenbrier County, William of Absalom first married Hannah Kinnison of Jacob Kinnison, near Marvin. Their children were Mathew, Mary, Nancy, Fanny and Dennis. Second marriage with Mary McKeever, near Buckeye, the children of this marriage were Loyd, Otis, Claiborne and Bruno were the sons. There were two daughters, Martha aged 10 years and Louemina Alice aged 7 years who perished in their burning home on Hills creek in sight of their parents and others who were unable to rescue them.

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their children were Elizabeth, Saab Ann, Mary Jane, Jennima who died young, George, William, John, Morgan died in youth, David, Allen died young, and James Clark.

Mary Jane Morrison of Alexander migrated West and married Dr. Christopher Cornmesser of Missouri. She married a second husband and now lives in Missouri. William Morrison of Alexander married Lydia McMillion and settled on Rush Run near Lobelia. Harvey W. Morrison of William married Mary Rebecca Hill of Aaron and lived on Rush Run. Charles C. Morrison of William married Mary E. Hill of Peter of Abaram on Rush Run homestead.

John Morrison of Alexander of James, the progenitor was married twice, the first marriage was with Rachel Ann Donnelly and lived in Greenbrier. His son Moffett H. Morrison married Esta Neff, daughter of Rev. C. M. Neff, and lives in Summers County. John Morrison's daughter Elizabeth was married to Alpha McMillion and lives near Williamsburg Greenbrier. The second wife of John Morrison of Alexander of James the Pioneer, was Miss Margaret McMillion a sister of L. C. McMillion and now lives near Friars Hill. David Morrison of Alexander married Mrs. Eliza C. McMillion widow of Wesley McMillion, who died in the war. David is P. M. at Loveridge his daughter Lovie became Mrs. Peter Clark, son of the late Henry N. Clark at Loveridge, Elizabeth Morrison of Alexander became Mrs. William McCoy and died leaving one son Francis McCoy of Williams River. Sarah Ann Morrison of Alexander first married Jacob Kellison. Her second marriage was with Lanty Kincaid, went to Missouri where she died a few years since.

George Morrison of Alexander married Elizabeth Simmons and migrated to Missouri. Thomas Morrison of James the Pioneer born 1805 married Sarah Dearing of Greenbrier and settled on Mill Run, the place now owned by Doctor O. Hill, son-in-law. In reference to his family these particulars are available, Tippet Snodgrass died in childhood, Mary Elizabeth became Mrs. Joel O. Hill and lives on Hills Creek, Rachel became Mrs. Renick B. Casebolt and lives in Iowa, Nancy Jane became Mrs. D. C. Hill and lives on the homestead, Sarah Frances became Mrs. Dr. Samuel Bassard and lives in Iowa, Lydia Margaret became Mrs. Joel R. Hill and lives near Jacob, Urbanna died in childhood.

Thomas Morrison was an expert wheelwright, specimens of his work are to be found in Pocahontas Greenbrier and Nicholas counties. He built a mill the wheel 25 feet in diameter and the cog-wheel two or three feet more in diameter. On the cog wheel fifteen hundred pounds of casting were used. December 1860, he was found crushed to death by the ponderous machinery. The motion of the mill was arrested by his head and resumed movements upon the removal of his body from the cog-wheel.

David Morrison of James the pioneer, was born 1807. He married Mary Dearing of Greenbrier and settled on the homestead now occupied by his son-in-law Madison S. Woods.

Mrs. Janet Catherine Woods is David Morrison's only surviving child. There were three other children who died in infancy it is from her, the writer learned most of the particulars making up this sketch. T. A. Bruffey rendered some valuable assistance. Josiah Morrison of the Pioneer James was born in 1809. His wife was Rebecca Dorsey, after living a few years in Pocahontas he moved to Alleghany Co. Va. where he spent the rest of his life. His children were Elisha, George, James, Margaret, Mary, Emily, Margaret became Mrs. Charles Williams and lived in Greenbrier, George, Mary and Emily went to Illinois.

Elisha Morrison of the pioneer

James, was born in 1811. His first marriage was with Sarah Oldham of William. His daughter Harriet Jane became Mrs. Franklin Hill and lived in Missouri. William Henry and Rachel Beard died in childhood. Elisha's second marriage was with Sally Kellison of Daniel. The children were Doctor Franklin and Elisha Ponick. Ann Morrison of James the pioneer was born in 1813, and upon her marriage with Timothy Clutter lived on lands now possessed by Lee Beard. Two of her children George and Morgan died in childhood Margaret Jane became Mrs. Abram Hayse of Hillsboro, Isaac Clutter lives in Oregon. Margaret Morrison of the Pioneer James was born in 1815 and upon her marriage to Adam Dearing, lived in West Greenbrier. Mason and Mary were her children Mary became Mrs. William Shaver and lives in Greenbrier, Mason married Mary Dean and lived in Greenbrier.

Deida Morrison of the pioneer, James was born in 1817, upon her marriage with John Barlow Kennison lived near Hillsboro. Her children were Claiborne, Franklin, Wesley, George and Morgan. There was a daughter Caroline who died at the age of four years.

The reader will find in the Pocahontas sketches further particulars respecting her interesting family.

James Morrison was a devout Wesleyan Methodist and with but few exceptions this has been the faith of his numerous posterity.

W. T. P.

War Reminiscence.
Pocahontas as well as Randolph county being strongly southern in their sentiments furnished many soldiers to the Southern army, this section being on the border of the contending armies. After the retreat of the Confederates from Rich Mountain most of the people of the upper tract, as this portion of Pocahontas was known, abandoned their homes and refugees to Augusta county. Many of the dwellings were destroyed by the federal soldiers and after the close of the war when the refugees returned to their homes to repair the waste places, the lone chimneys of their once happy homes were grim reminders of the vandalism of war.

During the winter of 1861-62 both armies camped in sight of each other, yet 20 miles apart, the federal army being on Cheat Mountain and the confederates on Alleghany. It was at the latter place that the federal attacked the forces under Gen. Edward Johnson early one morning, which was in the nature of a surprise, but after a desperate struggle of several hours the federal were defeated and driven from the field, the loss being considerable on both sides. Remnants of the fortifications on both mountains can yet be seen. Another engagement took place in the spring of '62 four miles east of here at Travelers Rest, what was known then as Camp Bartow, in memory of Col. Francis Bartow, of Georgia, who gave up his life at Manassas in July 1861, but before doing so, had christened Gen. T. J. Jackson and his brave brigade "Stonewall."—Randolph Enterprise.

Buzzard-Sharp

A nicely arranged marriage occurred Sept. 23rd when Ira Ellsworth Buzzard and Grace Mae Sharp were united in holy matrimony Rev. G. S. Weiford officiating. The bride is the eldest daughter of Rev. O. B. Sharp of Frost and is a highly esteemed young lady. The groom is a progressive farmer of New Hope neighborhood. After congratulations a sumptuous repast was served to twenty or more guests. Many kind wishes attend these worthy young people through life.

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Money on Deposit in Banks

Some tell us that money is getting to be tight in the Greenbrier Valley. We do not understand why this should be so as the people seem to have a good deal of money on deposit in the banks as shown by the following figures taken from recent bank statements:

Bank of Lewisburg,	\$ 233,613.18
Bank of Greenbrier,	212,720.80
1st National of Ronceverte,	127,632.48
Ronceverte National,	88,046.73
Bank of Union,	63,373.46
1st National of Alderson,	133,869.48
Greenbrier Valley, Alderson,	146,601.82
Citizens' Bank of Monroeville,	30,829.85
Bank of Marlinton,	195,375.26
1st National, Marlinton,	74,418.66
Bank of Summers, Hinton,	239,774.86
1st National Hinton,	137,285.70

Total in 12 banks, \$1,683,342.13—Greenbrier Independent.

Above Suspicion.

The following from the Charleston Gazette casting aspersions on Col. Dennis's democracy should meet with the condemnation of all who know him:

"The Parkersburg News can't figure out whether Governor White is most likely to yank Colonel Dennis over into his party or to get yanked by the Colonel. The mutual slobbering party is said by those who have kept tabs to be something particularly fierce."

The Colonel is nothing if not a Democrat. His case is chronic and hopeless. If all the others left the Democratic party still the Greenbrier Independent would come out each week with from four to five columns of good sound advice righteous indignation over the wickedness of the opposition. Governor White might change his mind but Colonel Dennis never. Democracy is his rock and all else is sand. We pay this tribute to Colonel Dennis, more readily because a few years ago it was hinted by the same Gazette that the Editor of the Pocahontas Times was not mathematically adjusted to run on the basis of 16 to 1 and was something of a heretic.

As an orthodox Democrat Col. Dennis also pleaded with us to come back to the narrow way. Col. Dennis can now sing with the poet: "I never nursed a dear Gazette, To glad me with its caustic wit, But when it came to know me well, Would intimate that I might quit."

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Commissioners' Sale of Valuable Real Estate.

Pursuant to a decree of the Circuit Court of Pocahontas County, West Va., rendered at the April term 1903 thereof in the chancery cause of H. A. Yeager's admors. v. H. A. Yeager's heirs others, the undersigned special commissioners will on

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1903, the first day of the October Circuit Court at the front door of the Court House of Pocahontas County proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder the following described tracts or parcels of lands of which Henry A. Yeager died seized.

1st. One acre of land in the of Main street and Camden avenue. This lot has been divided into 8 lots facing Main street and Camden avenue with proper alleys and now constitute one of the best business blocks in the town of Marlinton. Said lots numbered from 1 to 8 inclusive will be offered for sale separately, and then the block as a whole and the bid or bids will be accepted as may prove most advantageous for said estate. The plat of this block may be seen at the office of the clerk of the Circuit Court of said county.

2nd. Lot 26 in Block 34 of the proper plat of said town known as the Crouch lot. This lot has on it a dwelling house and three other buildings suitable for out-buildings or tenement houses.

3rd. Lots No. 6 and 9 in block 14 of said town. These lots adjoin; are vacant and are well situated near the tannery site and will be offered separately. These lots especially well located for dwelling houses.

4th. The lots No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 15 and 16, in block 19 of said town. These lots are opposite the C. & O. Railway Co's. depot and are well located for business lots or dwellings. They will be offered as follows:

5th. Lots 1 and 2 on which is a four room cottage. Lot 3 on which is also a two room cottage. Lots 4, 5 and 6 on which is a large two story dwelling house now occupied by A. B. Kincaid and others.

6th. Lots 8 and 9 on which is located a large dwelling house now occupied by Mrs. Rella F. Yeager. Lots 7, 10, 15 and 16 which are vacant lots will be offered separately.

7th. Lots 1 and 2 in Block 21, of said town. These lots are in the block on which the Bank of Marlinton is located and are among the most desirable in said town. They will be offered separately. They adjoin and are vacant.

8th. Three tracts of land containing 10, 36, 474 acres, and the spruce and hemlock timber on 117 acres all of which is known as the Kerr land, situated in Greenbank District in this county. Said land is partly improved and partly in timber. This property will be offered as a whole.

9th. The undivided one-half of a tract of timber land containing in all 160 acres on Philips mountain known as the Church land, and owned by said estate and L. M. McClintic jointly.

10th. The 1-5 undivided interest in a tract of 1600 acres in Greenbank District on the West Fork of Greenbrier River. This land is in the names of W. M. McAllister, R. S. Turk, J. R. England and Chas. P. Jones.

11th. A tract of timber land containing 71 acres known as the Price land opposite the town of Marlinton and running to the line of the corporation. Said tract has been divided into eight lots to give any one an opportunity to buy a desirable wood land or building lot near said town.

12th. Lot No. 1 contains 5 acres. Lot No. 2 contains 5 acres. Lot No. 3 contains 64 acres. Lot No. 4 contains 8 acres. Lot No. 5 contains 74 acres. Lot No. 6 contains 78-10 acres. Lot No. 7 contains 15 acres. Lot No. 8 contains 16 acres.

The lots are laid off across said tract beginning near E. M. Johnson's new house. Said land will be offered by the lot and then as a whole, and sold in the manner most money can be realized. A plat is on file with the Clerk of the Circuit Court for inspection by any persons interested.

13th. All rights which said estate has in a four room cottage built by mistake in a street by Lot 1 in Block 19.

TERMS OF SALE: So much cash in hand as will pay the costs of this sale and the expenses of sale, and as for the residue, upon a credit of six, twelve and eighteen months, with interest, the purchaser executing notes with good personal security, retaining the legal title until all the purchase money is paid.

L. M. McClintic, T. S. McNeil, E. B. Jones, Andrew Price, Special Commissioners.

J. H. Patterson, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Pocahontas County do hereby certify that said land has been given by said special commissioners as required by said decree.

J. H. PATTERSON, S. Ecker, Auctioneer, Clerk